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> Ms. Paula Higashi, Executive Director Commission on State Mandates 980 Ninth Street, Suite 300 Sacramento, California 95814

Via First Class Mail

Re: **Transmittal of Original Signature Pages**

High School Exit Examination, CSM 00-TC-06 Trinity Union High School District, Claimant Statutes of 1999, Chapters 1 and 135 Education Code Sections 60850, 60851, 60853, and 60855

Dear Ms. Higashi:

On June 11, 2001, this office filed rebuttal comments to the Department of Finance's opposition to this test claim. Included in the rebuttal were several declarations supporting the claimant's position that the \$3.00 appropriation is insufficient to cover the costs to administer the exit examination. Enclosed are the original signature pages for those declarations. If you have any questions concerning these comments, please feel free to call me at (916) 646-1400.

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Very truly yours,

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Enc: Declaration of Mr. Bob Lowden, Superintendent, Trinity Union High School District -Original Signature Page

Declaration of Dr. Caroline K. Brumm, Coordinator of Student and Program Evaluation, Burbank Unified School District - Original Signature Page

Declaration of Doug Stark, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, Del

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO

I am employed in the county of Sacramento, State of California. I am over the age of 18 and not a party to the within action; my business address is 7 Park Center Drive, Sacramento, California 95825.

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to the persons/parties listed on the attached Mailing List (letter only) and to the Commission on State Mandates via first class mail.

And served via facsimile to the following individuals from the Mailing List (letter only):

Mr. Gerry Shelton, Department of Education, School Business Services

Mr. Keith B. Petersen, President, Sixten & Associates

X (STATE) I declare under the penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the above is true and correct.

____ (FEDERAL) I declare that I am employed in the office of a member of the bar of this court at whose direction the service was made.

Executed on June 19, 2001, at Sacramento, California.

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Claim Number

00-TC-06

Claimant

Trinity Union High School District

Subject

Chapters 1/99, 135/99

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I know the foregoing facts personally and if so required, I could testify to the statements made herein. I hereby declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct except where stated upon information and belief and where so stated I declare that I believe them to be true.

Executed on June 6, 2001 in Crescent City, California.

DOUG STARK

Assistant Superintendent Curriculum and Instruction I know the foregoing facts personally and if so required, I could testify to the statements made herein. I hereby declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct except where stated upon information and belief and where so stated I declare that I believe them to be true.

Executed on June 8, 2001 in Burbank, California.

DR. CAROLINE K. BRUMM

Coordinator Student and Program Evaluation

Test Coordinator/School Counselor

Activity			Cost
Coordinate activities	exit	examination	\$272.00
Total Cost			\$272.00

Total

Sample of Costs Incurred	\$895.00
Estimated Appropriation	-\$378.00
Reimbursable Costs	\$517.00

As stated above, the foregoing does not list all of the activities or costs associated with administering the exit examination. Rather, the activities and costs listed above are a small sample of the activities and costs incurred by my District to administer the exit examination. For example, my District will engage in, and incur costs associated with, additional training, test security, providing test results to pupils, responding to information requests, and modifying District policies and procedures. My District has yet to engage in numerous activities required by the test claim legislation since these activities relate to procedures occurring after the exam administration and receipt of exam results. In addition, the required activities and procedures may change as the first administration and the May administration are completed and the data analyzed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

I know the foregoing facts personally and if so required, I could testify to the statements made herein. I hereby declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct except where stated upon information and belief and where so stated I declare that I believe them to be true.

Executed on June 14, 2001 in Weaverville, California.

BOB LOWDEN,

Superintendent

Trinity Union High School District